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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: PEPTIDES CONTAINING N-SUBSTITUTED D-AMINO ACIDS  
FOR PREVENTING BETA-STRAND ASSOCIATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following sentence on line 1, immediately following the title:

--This is a nationalization of PCT/GB00/02923, filed July 28, 2000 and published in English.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 4, 6, 8-10, 12, 14-17, 19, 20, 22-25, 27-42 as follows:

3. (amended) A chemical compound or composition according to claim 1 wherein successive N $\alpha$ -substituted  $\alpha$ -D-amino-acid residues in the  $\beta$ -strand-forming section of peptide are separated from each other by single N $\alpha$ -unsubstituted  $\alpha$ -D-amino-acid residues, such that the  $\beta$ -strand-forming section of peptide comprises an alternating sequence of N $\alpha$ -substituted and N $\alpha$ -unsubstituted  $\alpha$ -D-amino-acid residues.